RESOLUTION R-020-18

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR SUPPLIES AND CONTRACTUAL SERVICES FOR THE CORONER AND TO CREATE A BUDGET FOR THE LEGAL AND POLICY DEPARTMENT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR A LEGAL RESEARCH AND DATABASE SERVICE PROVIDER

- WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 36-81-3 provides for a County to adopt a "summary line item" legal level of budgetary control whereby the governing authority controls county spending; and
- WHEREAS, Resolution R-019-17 established the legal level of budgetary control for Walker County at the summarized object classification level (e.g. Personnel Expenses, Operating Expenses, Capital Outlay); and
- **WHEREAS,** the Coroner requires \$9,500 for technical contractual services for payment of deputy coroners and transport services; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Coroner requires \$2,500 for general supplies and materials for body bags; and
- **WHEREAS,** funds are available through cost avoidance from outsourcing services previously provided by the employee health clinic; and
- WHEREAS, the Legal and Policy Director, whose duties encompass the county attorney function, requires a legal research and database service in order to conduct the legal research for advising county officials and department heads, ensuring compliance with state and federal law, and other functions; and
- WHEREAS, funds are available for a subscription to a legal research and database service through cost avoidance of having in-house counsel rather than funding attorney services through the general fund; and
- WHEREAS, the FY 2017-2018 budget requires an amendment to create a budget for the Legal and Policy department; and
- **WHEREAS,** the amount required for a subscription to a legal research and database service for the FY 2017-2018 is \$2,400;

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED,

1. That the Walker County governing authority reallocates funding from Employee Health Clinic (Department 1542) summary line item 521300.95 (Technical Contractual Services) and

appropriates \$9,500.00 to line item 521300.95 (Technical Contractual Service) for purposes of funding deputy coroners and transport services and \$2,500 to line item 531100.00 (General Supply and Material) for purposes of funding the purchase of body bags and supplies.

- 2. That the Walker County governing authority hereby amends the FY 2017-2018 budget to create a budget for the Legal and Policy Department; and
- 3. That the Walker County governing authority reallocates funding from the Employee Health Clinic (Department 1542) summary line item 531100.40 (General Supply and Materials Medical) in the amount of \$40,400.00 and appropriates \$46,400 to the Legal and Policy Department line items 511100.00 (Salary and Wages) in the amount of \$38,000.00 and appropriates \$2,400 to line item 521200.00 (Professional Other) for purposes of funding a subscription for a legal and research database service; and

THIS 28 DAY OF JUNE, 2018.

Shannon K. Whitfield

Sole Commissioner, Walker County, Georgia

ATTEST:

Rebecca Wooden

Clerk, Walker County, Georgia